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USAID Economic and Social Database (ESDB)

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International Development Data Available from your Desktop

BACKGROUND

The USAID Economic and Social Database (ESDB) was created to provide a central source of economic and social data pertinent to USAID employees so those users wouldn't have to gather it from multiple sources. The goal is to allow USAID to access economic and social indicators in developing countries or regions and across countries and regions. This allows USAID staff to monitor countries and assist them in making operational decisions. Department of State employees have access via the cooperative "OpenPlus" intranet sharing system.

SUMMARY

The Economic and Social Database (ESDB) brings over 4,000 data series from fifty sources together into one source and makes them available online to USAID staff. The Development Information Services (DIS) Statistical Unit regularly updates the database as new data become available. The ESDB contains free and proprietary data.

The data is available on the web in a variety of ways:

- **Country Profiles** - A "development snapshot" of a country that provides basic development statistics for the five most recent years.
- **Sector Data** - Select development data from eight development sectors.
- **Sources** - Select development data from 31 different statistical institutions including the IMF, the World Bank, and the United Nations.

SPECIALIZED DATABASES WITHIN THE ESDB

US Overseas Loan and Grants database - The U.S. Overseas Loan and Grants report is a record of the level of assistance the U.S. Government has provided to foreign countries from 1946 to the present; the data are disaggregated by type of assistance (e.g. economic or military). The report's unofficial name is "The Greenbook". The annual report is a reporting requirement for USAID to the U.S. Congress. USAID issues a bound copy of the report. DIS maintains a web site of Greenbook data. The website is available to the public.

International Development Flows (OECD/DAC) database - The Development Information Services created an online dataset of foreign aid flows from the member countries of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD). The data covers 37 donor countries and 188 recipient countries for the years 1960 to the present. The data is available on the USAID Intranet web site in an interactive format. Users can create standard DAC reports or construct their own statistical tables. The site also offers a quick way to learn who are the largest donors in any developing country.

ANALYTICAL TOOLS

- Top Ten Donors by Country - OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC) statistics.
- National Income Accounts - Country table and graph of the National Income Accounts Product.
- Population Pyramids - Create a Population Pyramid of a country for any given year.
- Composition of Exports & Imports - Pie charts depicting a country's total world exports and imports by sector.
- Top Trading Partners - Pie charts depicting the top ten trading partners to a selected and year.
- Regional Pie Charts - Create a pie chart showing the share of FDI Inflows to a particular region for any given year.
- Income, Population, FDI and Exports comparison - Bar chart depicting a country's share of Investment, Population, Income, and Exports as a percent of world total.

HOW TO ACCESS THE ESDB

The main portal to the ESDB is <http://cdie.usaid.gov/esds/>

DIS STATISTICAL COLLECTION: SOURCE LIST

On the USAID Intranet

- African Database, World Bank
- Balance of Payments, International Monetary Fund
- Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. DoC
- CDIAC, Oak Ridge National Laboratory
- Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS) EdData
- Direction of Trade, International Monetary Fund
- Economic Freedom of the World, Fraser Institute
- Foreign Direct Investment, UNCTAD
- Freedom in the World, Freedom House
- Geographical Distribution of Financial Flows to Aid Recipients, DAC/OECD
- Global Tuberculosis Control, WHO
- Government Finance Statistics, International Monetary Fund
- Human Development Report, UNDP
- Index of Economic Freedom, Heritage Foundation
- International Corruption index, Transparency International
- International Country Risk Guide, PRS Group
- International Database, U.S. Bureau of the Census
- International Development Assistance (DAC), OECD
- International Financial Statistics, International Monetary Fund
- Joint BIS-IMF-OECD-World Bank Statistics on External Debt
- Nations in Transit, Freedom House
- UNAIDS, Report on the Global HIV/AIDS Epidemic
- UNESCO Education Statistics
- UN Merchandise Trade Database (TPIS)
- US Overseas Loans and Grants (Greenbook), USAID
- World Competitiveness Report, IMD
- World Development Indicators (WDI), World Bank
- World Economic Outlook Database, International Monetary Fund

- World Population Prospects, United Nations
- World Refugee Survey, United States Committee on Refugees

Ask an Analyst (email request to statsunit@dis.cdie.org)

- Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) statistics
- International Labour Organization statistics
- National Trade Data Bank, U.S. DoC
- UNCTAD Trade Database, TPIS
- World Urbanization Prospects, United Nations
- International Development Statistics, OECD
- World Resources Database, World Resources Institute
- United Nations Merchandise Trade Database, TPIS

So, don't delay, access ESDB today!